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research contract concerning

the continuous-casting of steel, let by VEB Zentrales Konstruktionsbuero der
Metallurgischen Industrie (ZKB):

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Section 1

A series of experiments shall be conducted at the VEB Edelstahlwerk Doehlen to elucidate the technology of casting steel by the continuous-casting process. The experiments shall be made with electric steels of all kinds as well as with killed and rimmed Siemens-Martin steels.

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In addition, the experiments shall serve to test experimental continuous-casting equipment with the steels melted at Doehlen. Furthermore, the experiments are to facilitate the planning of modern production installations based upon the experience gained and on the latest state of technology. In addition, the continuous-casting products shall be examined for chemical, physical, metallurgical, rolling and forging

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characteristics.

The research assigner assigns to its Department of Technological Development, located in Leipzig, the execution of the experiments and the transmission of the experience gained to other plants.

Dr. Ing. Reinhold Baake is responsible for the research assignment.

Section 2

In order to carry out the tasks mentioned in Section 1, VEB Edelstahlwerk Doshlen assumes responsibility:

1. for providing space for testing equipment in accordance with the status of results of research and development experiments,
2. for furnishing molten steel, within the framework of the production capabilities at Doshlen, for casting at the continuous-casting experimental installations,
3. for providing space for the construction of a barracks to house the workshops.

Section 3

The responsible scientist, appointed by the ZKB, is authorized to implement suggestions for improvements made by colleagues of the Edelstahlwerk Doshlen insofar as the suggestions are utilisable.

In the interest of detailed development, equipment changes and fundamental program changes may be made only with the consent of the responsible scientific member of the ZKB.

Section 4

VEB Edelstahlwerk Doshlen is to nominate a liaison official who is authorized to make binding agreements between the Doshlen plant management and the continuous-casting process experts of the ZKB.

The liaison official is responsible for keeping himself informed at all times of the latest status of the work. In addition, he must insure that the experiments within the VEB Edelstahlwerk Doshlen are carried out smoothly.

The ZKB, through the continuous-casting experts in Doshlen, is responsible for keeping the liaison official regularly informed of the progress of the experiments.

Section 5

The expenditures for wages and salaries, as well as costs of material (including the cost of rejected material), which accrue at the Doshlen plant are to be borne by the ZKB, inasmuch as these expenditures and costs arise from the continuous-casting process experiments. However, in order to avoid disagreements, Edelstahlwerk Doshlen accepts the responsibility for determining from the continuous-casting experts of ZKB whether or not the expenses will be accepted.

Section 6

VEB Edelstahlwerk Doshlen is responsible for the establishment of a credit account in which the expenses mentioned in Section 5 will be entered.

VEB Edelstahlwerk Doshlen has the obligation to submit to ZKB, at the conclusion of each month, a bill concerning the expenses of the past month. From

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this bill the following expenses, insofar as they are really incurred, must be determined:

1. production costs
2. materials cost
3. administrative overhead
4. special costs

Item 1 is to be broken down into working hours and gross wages as follows:

- a. engineers, technicians, foremen
- b. mechanics, laboratory workers
- c. temporary employees and production overhead

This breakdown must be followed implicitly because it corresponds to the ZAPT accounting form.

Section 7

The bills are to be submitted by the department of the ZKB in Leipzig, Account No. 92042, to the German bank of issue (Deutsche Notenbank) in Leipzig through RE channels [RE-Verfahren].

Any profits made through the experiments, such as sale of scrap, etc., must be turned over to the ZKB.

Section 8

According to the General Rules Concerning the Execution of Research and Development Work, published by the State Planning Commission, ZAPT, Berlin, VEB Edelstahlwerk Döhlen is responsible for insuring that the experimental series will be kept secret. It is the special responsibility of the Edelstahlwerk to insure that all members of the plant employed in that work accept the secrecy obligation. It is also the responsibility of the plant management to protect the installation against possible sabotage attempts.

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Section 9

The agreement becomes effective on 1 January 1953^{6/} and extends for an indefinite period. The agreement will terminate after the successful conclusion of the experimental series or on the basis of ministerial orders.

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